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**RESPONSE UNDER 37 CFR 1.116
EXPEDITED PROCEDURE
EXAMINING GROUP 1652
PATENT**

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

IN THE APPLICATION OF:

QIONG CHENG ET. AL.

CASE NO.: CL1646USDIV

APPLICATION NO.: 10/700003

CONFIRMATION NO.: 5012

GROUP ART UNIT: 1652

EXAMINER: PAK, Y

FILED: NOVEMBER 03, 2003

FOR: GENES INVOLVED IN ISOPRENOID COMPOUND PRODUCTION

RESPONSE AND AMENDMENT

Commissioner for Patents
P.O. Box 1450
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Introductory Comments

This is submitted in response to the Office Action dated 8/10/2005.

Applicants respectfully request reconsideration and submit the following in support thereof. Please amend the application as follows: